COMIC SHOP NEWS

WINTER PREVIEW

SUPERGIRL

Abrams

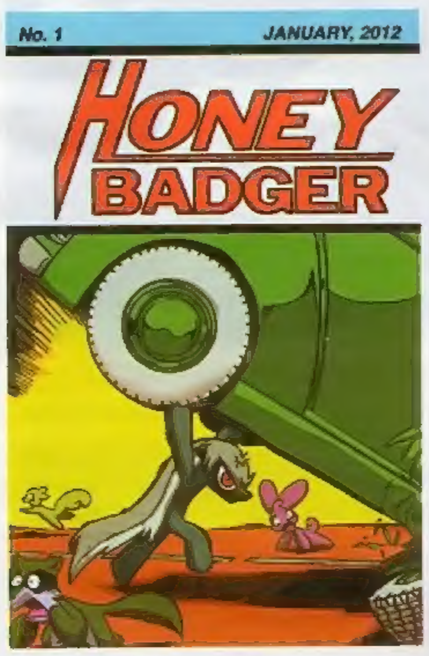
Derf Backderf tires to make sense of Jeffrey Dahmer, the future serial killer with whom he shared classrooms, hallways, cafeterias, libraries, and car rides, in ***My Friend Dahmer.*** (Jan)

Adhouse

A red-white-and-blue-haired hero must defend a post-post-apocalyptic world from the immortal Two-Tank Omen in ***American Barbarian*** by *Tom Scioli.* (Feb)

Amulet

Editor *Kazu Kibuishi* assembles an impressive array of short graphic works built around the theme of a mysterious box and its contents in ***Explorer: The Mystery Boxes.*** (Jan)



Antarctic

Humanity takes its war against the zombie plague to the source planet in ***Conquest of the Planet of the Living Dead,*** a oneshot by *Joe Wight & David Hutchison.* (Feb)

The ferocious critter who really doesn't give a crap stars in his own series in *Fred Perry & Joe Wight's* ***Honey Badger Adventures #1.*** (Jan)

The Master Race and their decayed dictator have risen from the grave in ***Nazi Zombies #1.*** (Jan)

Those sexy agents from yesteryear are back in ***Victorian Secret Agents: Steampunk Angels.*** (Feb)

Ape

Sid Jacobson & Ernie Colon present a new holiday story in ***Richie Rich: Valentine's Day Special 2012,*** which also includes a selection of remastered and recolored classic reprints. (Feb)

Arcana

During World War II, an American squad encounters a German superhuman assault squad and starts a Eugenics Race that carries into present day in ***Grunts.*** (Jan)

How does the world deal with the sudden addition of thousands of superpowered humans—most of whom have far from altruistic intentions involving their new powers? Find out in ***Heaven's Echo*** by *Siike Donnelly & Robert Gil.* (Feb)

Who lured America's superheroes away from Pearl Harbor on a false alarm just before the Japanese attack? That's the question that the heroes hope to answer in ***InterAgents*** by *Dwight MacPherson, Bruce Brown, & Valerio Giangiordano.* (Dec)

In 1950's Las Vegas, the Mob enlisted former circus attractions as their aces in the hole—and you'll see them in action in *Erik W. Hendrix & Michael David Nelsen's* ***Sideshows.*** (Feb)

Archaia

Richard Marazano & Jean-Michel Ponzio present a tale of medicine-for-profit and biological experimentation in ***Genetiks Volume 1.*** (Feb)

Patrick Marty & Chongrui Nie present a Chinese magistrate with skills that rival Sherlock Holmes in ***Judge Bao Volume 1: Judge Bao & the Jade Phoenix.*** (Feb)

Archie

Feisty tomboy freshman Jinx explores the perils of high school in ***Jinx,*** an original graphic novel by *J. Torres & Rick Burchett.* (Jan)

Kevin Keller experiences a trio of firsts in the premiere issue of ***Kevin Keller:*** his first term as class president, his first published article in the school paper, and his first date. (Jan)

Ardden

When the threat of an international terrorist organization looms, ready to strike North America, the Canadian government is forced to put together an elite team of superheroes in ***Heroes of the North: Dark Origins.*** (Jan)

Brad Abraham & Marco Gervasio take readers back to the 1990s in ***Mixtape #1,*** a coming of age story of high school, romance, and music. (Feb)

Aspen

A young man attempts to break his sister out of Hell, the only prison from which no one ever escapes, in ***Dead Man's Run.*** (Jan-Feb)

Frank Mastromauro &Micah Gunnell revisit the world of unseen urges and the real voices inside your head in ***Shrugged v2 #0.*** (Feb)

Avatar

For the first time ever, *Garth Ennis & John McCrea's* ***Dicks*** is presented in full color, with all the offensiveness and coarseness intact. (Feb)

David Lapham reinterprets the werewolf for the 21st century in the brutal splatterpunk horror series ***Ferals.*** (Jan-Feb)

Blank Slate

Over fifty UK comic creators present a continuous tale that takes readers from 1968 to the present, with one chapter for ever year, in ***Nelson,*** which presents events in the life of one woman. (Dec)

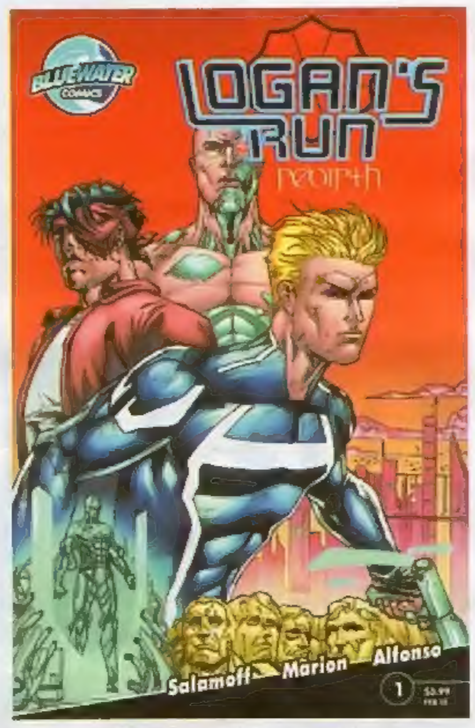
Bluewater

American Defenders: The Army presents a history of American troops from the American Revolution to the modern war on terror. (Feb)

A tale of family horror, infant death, and missing children is at the center of ***John Saul's The God Project #1.*** (Feb)

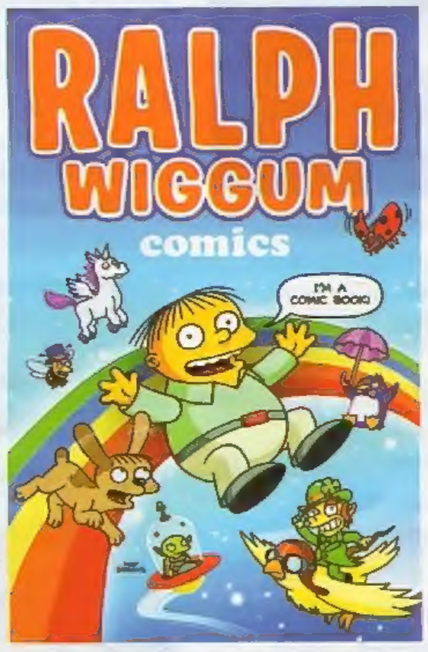
Logan, Jessica, and their infant son thought they had escaped the world's horrors... but the world is about to catch up with them in ***Logan's Run: Rebirth #1.*** (Feb)

Former 10th Muse Morgan Wulf is given a second chance at life as a 17-year-old girl with amazing powers in ***Muse #1.*** (Dec)



The growing friction between Earth and its Martian colony is the focus of ***William Shatner's Man O War #1.*** (Jan)

Bluewater's ever-growing line of biographical comics include books spotlighting ***Betty White, Britney Spears, Cher, Nelson Mandela, John Lennon, Mitt Romney, Gabrielle Giffords, Matt Smith, Tom Baker, Jack Kirby, Rick Perry, Kylie Minogue,*** and ***Ron Paul.*** (Dec-Feb)



Bongo

For the first time ever, Ralph gets his moment in the sun in ***Ralph Wiggum Comics #1.*** (Feb)

Boom

Michael Alan Nelson & Matteo Scalera present a once-noble king who fell in battle to a necromancer. Now he's resurrected as a living abomination in ***Outcast...*** but he's determined that he'll restore his lost soul, no matter what it takes! (Dec-Feb)

Charlie Brown and his friends are back in a mix of all-new stories and classic *Charles Shulz* reprints in ***Peanuts.*** (Jan-Feb)

Grant Morrison & Ian Gibson's long out of print ***Avengers*** adventure returns to comic shops in ***Steed & Mrs. Peel,*** a six-issue limited series. (Jan-Feb)

Courtesy your friendly neighborhood comics outlet!

Campfire

Campfire's growing line of literary classics, legends, and myths in graphic novel form continue with the release of ***Jason & the Argonauts, Shakespeare's Tempest, The Jungle Book, Perseus,*** and ***Sinbad.*** (Dec-Feb)

Com.X

The ***Forty-Five*** spinoff oneshot ***Bluespear,*** focusing on Tokyo's guardian hero, is back on the schedule—and just wait 'til you see the art of *Cosmo White.* (Jan)

Dark Horse

Superceleb vampire Harmony Kendall returns in ***Angel & Faith #5*** by *Christos Gage* and guest artist *Phil Noto.* (Dec) And in *Christos Gage & Rebekah Isaacs'* ***Angel & Faith #7,*** Angel and Faith confront a hot new vampire in the underground scene . . . Drusilla. (Feb)

Axe Cop returns with a collection of new, exciting, and unpredictable stories in ***Axe Cop Volume 3 TP,*** the latest volume in the unpredictable and manic series is written by six-year-old *Malachai Nicolle* and drawn by his Eisner Award–nominated thirty-year-old brother *Ethan Nicolle.* (Jan)

The SFPD needs Buffy's help to deal with the growing zompire population—but they'll have to settle for assistance from Spike instead! ***Buffy the Vampire Slayer Season 9 #6*** kicks off a two-issue arc by *Andrew Chambliss & Georges Jeanty.* (Feb)

A B.P.R.D. task force is assembled to solve a new series of disappearances in the

deadly woods from New World in *Mike Mignola, John Arcudi, & James Harren's* ***BPRD: Hell on Earth—The Long Death #1.*** (Feb)

From ***Couriers*** to Conan! *Brian Wood & Becky Cloonan* are Cimmeria-bound as they take over the comic starring *Robert E. Howard's* barbarian hero. ***Conan the Barbarian #1*** kicks off an adaptation of "Queen of the Black Coast," featuring Conan and the pirate queen Belit. (Feb)

Mike Mignola's Hellboy is the centerpiece of ***Dark Horse Presents #7,*** which also features new material by *Andi Watson, Howard Chaykin, Neal Adams, Ricardo Delgado,* and others. (Dec)

Part personal history, part biography, *Mary M. Talbot & Bryan Talbot's* ***Dotter of Her Father's Eyes HC*** contrasts two coming- of-age narratives: that of Lucia, the daughter of James Joyce, and that of author Mary Talbot, daughter of the eminent Joycean scholar James S. Atherton. (Dec)

Felicia Day, Sandeep Parikh, & Becky Cloonan present the newest ***Guild*** one-shot, ***Zaboo,*** a story of Zaboo's attempt to bring the romance of The Game to his real life. (Dec)

Wrongly branded a traitor by his fellow samurai, Amane is attacked and left for dead. When he is found by a mysterious tattoo artist, his life is saved—and changed forever—in ***The Immortal: Demon in the Blood #1*** by *Ian Edginton & Vicenç Villagrasa.* (Dec)

Thoth-Amon confronts the Cimmerian in ***King Conan: The Phoenix on the Sword #1,*** an adaptation of *Robert E. Howard's* first Conan story produced by *Tim Truman & Tomas Giorello.* (Jan)

Science-fiction veterans *Joseph Mallozzi & Paul Mullie,* best known for their work on television's ***Stargate*** franchise and ***Transporter: The Series,*** create a new and exciting universe in ***Dark Matter,*** a suspenseful tale that pits the crew of a derelict ship against a relentless android bent on their destruction. (Jan-Feb)

When a tribe of phantom Indians start scalping policemen, Hellboy's crime-fighting hero Lobster Johnson and his allies take on these foes and their gangster cronies in ***Lobster Johnson: The Burning Hand #1*** by *Mike Mignola, John Arcudi, & Tonci Zonjic.* (Jan)

In ancient Japan, a witch seeks to use the warrior-monk Ningen's enlightened body and spirit to resurrect a demon-samurai in ***Ningen's Nightmares TP,*** a graphic novel by *J.P. Kalonji & Dan Jackson.* (Dec)

The name's Cross. Jahan Cross. Move over, James Bond; there's a new secret agent in the galaxy, and he has the weight of the Empire behind him, as *John Ostrander & Stephane Roux* demonstrate in ***Star Wars: Agent of the Empire—Iron Eclipse #1.*** (Dec)

In ***Star Wars: Dawn of the Jedi #0 & 1,*** *John Ostrander & Jan Duursema* take a look at the Star Wars of 25,000 years ago—before there were lightsabers, when the ties to the Force were new, and before the Jedi spread out into the galaxy. (Feb)

A platoon of Clone Troopers find their plans undone by faulty intelligence and bad luck, leaving stranded deep inside hostile territory, in ***Star Wars: The Clone Wars—Enemy Within,*** a digest-sized adventure by *Jeremy Barlow & Brian Koschak.* (Jan)

The Republic and the Mandalorians are at war! Jedi are joining the fight, despite the noninterference stance of the Council. One Jedi, however, has found himself on the front lines against his wishes—the peace-loving Zayne Carrick has been drafted in

Star Wars: Knights of the Old Republic—War #1 by *John Jackson Miller & Andrea Mutti.* (Jan)

When a Boeing 777 lands at JFK International Airport and goes dark on the runway, the Center for Disease Control, fearing a terrorist attack, calls in Dr. Ephraim Goodweather and his team of expert biological-threat first responders. Only an elderly pawnbroker from Spanish Harlem suspects a darker purpose behind the event: an ancient threat intent on covering mankind in darkness. See what happens next in ***The Strain #1*** by *David Lapham, Guillermo del Toro, Chuck Hogan, & Mike Huddleston,* the kickoff of an 11-part miniseries. (Dec)

DC

As the assault from an alien threat takes a turn for the worse for Metropolis, keys facts about Superman's past are brought to light for the first time in ***Action Comics #5*** by *Grant Morrison, Andy Kubert, & Jesse Delperdang.* Then in ***Action Comics #6,*** Superman of the present day must team up with suspiciously different versions of the Legion of Super-Heroes to save the jeans-wearing Superman of five years ago! (Jan-Feb)

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Jonah Hex and Amadeus Arkham face off against a gang of kidnappers beneath Gotham City in ***All-Star Western #5*** by *Justin Gray, Jimmy Palmiotti, & Moritat.* (Jan) Then Jonah Hex fights a giant bat to the death in ***All-Star Western #6. (Feb)***

Before he and his family became hunted by The Rot, Buddy Baker starred in a low budget indie Super Hero film. Now we get to "watch" the movie in ***Animal Man #6,*** courtesy of director *Jeff Lemire* and guest cinematographer *John Paul Leon.*(Feb)

Who sank Atlantis? Mera, the beautiful Atlantean assassin trained in the Bermuda Triangle, follows a trail of death and deceit to the one man who knows the ugly truth. But what does he want in return for his secrets – and how does it all tie into Mera's own dark past? *Geoff Johns, Ivan Reis, & Joe Prado* answer those questions in ***Aquaman #6.*** (Feb)

In *Gail Simone, Ardian Syaf, & Vicente Cifuentes'* ***Batgirl #6,*** Batgirl experiences her first face-to-face with Batman since her rehabilitation. (Feb)

A bleeding, broken Batman confronts Talon, the Court of Owl's merciless killer, in ***Batman #6*** by *Scott Snyder, Greg Capullo, & Jonathan Glapion.* (Feb)

DC offers a look into the future of the DCU in ***Batman Beyond Unlimited,*** a 48-page comic that introduces the new Justice League Beyond in its premiere issue. (Feb)

As the bond between Batman and Robin deteriorates, Robin is forced by NoBody to make a life and death decision – and Batman's hunt pushes the Dark Knight to the edge in ***Batman & Robin #6*** by *Peter Tomasi, Patrick Gleason, & Mick Gray.*(Feb)

In *Paul Jenkins, David Finch, & Richard Friend's* ***Batman: The Dark Knight #5,*** a dark figure from Batman's past returns– the one adversary The Dark Knight truly fears. (Jan)

Artist *Amy Reeder* and inker *Richard Friend* join writers *J.H. Williams III & W. Haden Blackman* as the epic "To Drown the World" begins in ***Batwoman #6.*** (Feb)

In ***Birds of Prey #4*** by *Duane Swierczynski & Jesus Saiz,* the Birds of Prey – Black Canary, Starling, Katana and Poison Ivy – try to track down three bombs hidden in the skulls of three different people as Barbara Gordon joins the team. (Dec)

The Blackhawks have a brutal, apocalyptic showdown in the Eyrie against their

newest, most dangerous foe in ***Blackhawks #4*** by *Mike Costa, Graham Nolan, & Trevor Scott.* (Dec)

Catwoman is flying solo in *Judd Winick & Guillem March's* ***Catwoman #5...*** but she has her paws full as she faces a new adversary, Reach. (Jan)

Dan DiDio & Jerry Ordway introduce the new Challengers of the Unknown in ***DC Universe Presents #6.*** (Feb)

Batman invades The Penguin's floating casino as Bruce Wayne to uncover a brutal string of slayings – but he finds the chips stacked against him in ***Detective Comics #6*** by *Tony S. Daniel & Sandu Florea.* (Feb)

The Flash must solve a murder mystery that dates back 150 years in ***The Flash #6*** by *Francis Manapul & Brian Buccellato.*(Feb)

The mysterious Zither pits Ronnie and Jason against each other in ***The Fury of Firestorm: The Nuclear Men #5*** by *Gail Simone, Ethan Van Sciver, Yildiray Cinar, & Norm Rapmund.* (Jan)

In *Jeff Lemire & Alberto Ponticelli's* ***Frankenstein, Agent of SHADE #6,*** Frankenstein and The Commandos head back to Vietnam to take out a rogue super human whom Frankenstein fought beside back in 1969. (Feb)

Geoff Johns, Doug Mahnke, & Christian Alamy present the conclusion to Sinestro and Hal Jordan's invasion of the planet Korugar in ***Green Lantern #5.*** Then, with the tumultuous battle for Korugar past them, Sinestro and Hal are left at a crossroads. They must pick up the pieces of their lives. The question is, will they do it alone...or together? Find out in ***Green Lantern #6*** by *Geoff Johns, Doug Mahnke, & Christian Alamy.* (Jan-Feb)

Guy Gardner must assemble a strike force to invade the genocidal Keeper's dimension in ***Green Lantern Corps #5*** by *Peter Tomasi, Fernando Pasarin, & Scott Hanna.* (Jan)

Green Lantern Kyle Rayner and his renegade team of Lanterns are all that stands between the creature Invictus and planetary genocide in *Tony Bedard, Tyler Kirkham, & Batt's* ***Green Lantern: New Guardians #6.*** (Feb)

In *Nathan Edmondson, Scott Clark, & Dave Beaty's* ***Grifter #6,*** Cole Cash's war with the Daemonites leads him to clues that will bring him face to face with Stormwatch and Voodoo. (Feb)

In ***Hawk and Dove #6,*** guest-written as well as illustrated by *Rob Liefeld,* Hawk and Dove arrive in Gotham City hot on the trail of a villain who has stolen a deadly weapon from their home turf in Washington D.C.—and that leads a confrontation with Batman. (Feb)

Guest star Batman grudgingly helps Andrew fight the Queen of Blood, who has taken over Gotham City with her army of vampires, in ***I, Vampire #6*** by *Joshua Hale Fialkov & Andrea Sorrentino.* (Feb)

The Justice League unites at last against Darkseid in ***Justice League #6*** by *Geoff Johns, Jim Lee, & Scott Williams*—and the awesome consequences of this high-stakes battle will resonate within the series for years to come! (Feb)

Enchantress has been subdued, but this team of misfits hardly knows how to celebrate when each is still wrestling with their own demons in ***Justice League Dark #6*** by *Peter Milligan & Mikel Janin.* (Feb)

In the aftermath of Peraxxus's near destruction of the planet Earth, the planet's heroes gather together to decide the fate of the JLI in ***Justice League International #6*** by *Dan Jurgen & Marco Castiello.* (Feb)

In ***Legion Lost #5*** by *Fabian Nicieza & Pete Woods,* the time-stranded Legionnaires must do battle with Alastor, the hulking bio-terrorist who has unleashed his lethal future virus in the present-day DCU! (Jan)

New Legion recruit Dragonwing has returned to China to check in with her family in ***Legion of Super-Heroes #6*** by *Paul Levitz & Francis Portela.* (Feb)

Haly's Circus hits New Orleans in ***Nightwing #5*** by *Kyle Higgins, Eddy Barrows, & Paolo Siqueria.* But how does a voodoo ritual gone bad factor in? (Jan)

With O.M.A.C. is still on the loose, S.H.A.D.E. decides to send in their top agent, Frankenstein, in ***OMAC #5*** by *Dan DiDio, Keith Giffen, & Scott Koblish.* (Jan)

Lucien Gates's life is changed forever when he is struck by a mysterious beam of energy that turns him into a glowing gladiator in ***The Ray #1*** by *Justin Gray, Jimmy Palmiotti, Jamal Igle, & Rich Perrotta.* (Dec)

How did Jason Todd and Princess Koriand'r of Tamaran meet – and what has bonded them together in a way that neither could have imagined? Find out in *Scott Lobdell & Kenneth Rocafort's* ***Red Hood and the Outlaws #6.*** (Feb)

Find out what happens when the red ring selects a human host overcome with rage and grief in ***Red Lanterns #6*** by *Peter Milligan, Ed Benes, & Rob Hunter.* (Feb)

Mitch Shelley is trapped between the realm of the living and the dead in *Dan Abnett, Andy Lanning, & Fernando Blanco's* ***Resurrection Man #5.*** He must find a way to escape the realm before a host of celestial beings finds him... (Jan)

In *Tony Daniel, James Bonney, & Philip Tan's* ***Savage Hawkman #6,*** Hawkman comes face to face with Jim Craddock, a.k.a. the Gentleman Ghost, a malevolent spirit obsessed with finding an ancient relic called the Mortis Orb. (Feb)

Shocking connections begin to be revealed between the mysterious Hawkins family tragedy and Jow Piranha's Bang Baby Army in ***Static Shock #5*** by *Scott McDaniel & Andy Owens.* (Jan)

What lurks within the Stormwatch space station? As the origin of their alien HQ is revealed, what's left of the decimated Stormwatch roster regroups and a new team is formed in ***Stormwatch #6*** by *Paul Cornell*

& Miguel Sepulveda, which will impact upcoming issues of ***Grifter*** and ***Voodoo.*** (Feb)

"The Hunt for Harley Quinn" starts in ***Suicide Squad #6,*** courtesy of *Adam Glass & Tom Raney.* (Feb)

Superboy meets Supergirl in ***Superboy #6*** by *Scott Lobdell, R.B. Silva, & Rob Lean.* (Feb)

Supergirl's nightmare is finally over – she has left Earth and has somehow made it back to Argo City! But it's not the home she remembers, as readers will discover in *Michael Green, Mike Johnson, & Mahmud Asrar's* ***Supergirl #5.*** (Jan)

It was bad enough when an onslaught of creatures targeted Superman, nearly destroying Metropolis in the process. But it's even worse when Superman appears to help them finish the job! Find out what's going on in ***Superman #6*** by *George Pérez, Nicola Scott, & Trevor Scott,* a standalone issue guest-starring Supergirl. (Feb)

The Rot is winning, and its necropolis in the American desert is nearly complete in *Scott Snyder & Marco Rudy's* ***Swamp Thing #6.*** (Feb)

Kid Flash has been knocked out of synch! If they are going to save their teammate, the badly beaten and battered teens need to sneak into the New York branch of S.T.A.R. Labs – which means that *Scott Lobdell, Brett Booth, & Norm Rapmund's* ***Teen Titans #6*** guest-stars none other than Virgil Hawkins, a.k.a. Static! (Feb)

In *Josh Williamson & Sami Basri's* ***Voodoo #6,*** Agent Fallon and the Black Razors are looking for revenge – but first they need to break another Daemonite Hybrid out of jail to help them track her down... and the identity of that Daemonite Hybrid will leave readers stunned! (Feb)

Hades and Poseidon both have designs on the kingdom their brother Zeus left behind, but Wonder Woman doesn't intend to let their turf war decimate the realm of man! It'll take a big lie and some help from the mystery man known as Lennox to stop a holy war from breaking out in ***Wonder Woman #6*** by *Brian Azzarello & Tony Akins.* (Feb)

Vertigo/DC

Scott Snyder & Rafael Albuquerque venture into the 1950s in ***American Vampire #22.*** Who is Travis Kidd? What do the mysterious Vassals want with him? And what does it all have to do with Skinner Sweet? Find out in "Death Race." (Dec)

Brian Wood & Riccardo Burchielli bring ***DMZ*** to a dramatic conclusion in its 72nd issue. In a city that once seemed to be in a permanent state of war and despair, peace has reigned for a decade. What has become of the city that Matty Roth, Zee and so many others fought to preserve? (Dec)

In their sweeping, century-spanning graphic novel ***Gone to Amerikay,*** *Derek McCullough & Colleen Doran* explore the vivid history of Irish émigrés to New York City via three intertwined tales, from a penniless woman raising a daughter alone in the Five Points slum of 1870, to a struggling young artist drawn to the nascent counterculture of 1960, the year America elected its first Irish-Catholic president. (Feb)

A dying woman's desperate need to see her long lost son sends John Constantine on a mission to unearth his own connection to the mysterious disappearance of a boyhood friend in ***Hellblazer Annual #1*** by *Peter Milligan & Simon Bisley.* (Dec)

Eric Trautmann & Brandon Jerwa's ***Shooters HC*** is the story of private military operators, the latest breed of soldiers in modern warfare. (Feb)

Dynamite

At last, Ash returns in an ongoing ***Army of Darkness*** series—but it's most definitely *not* what fans are expecting. This time, the Deadites are facing off against a *woman* named Ash... but what relation does she have to "the Chosen One" Ashley J. Williams? (Feb)

As Britt Reid fights to live up to the legacy of The Green Hornet, will he ruin his father's other legacy as a newspaperman? Find out in ***Green Hornet Annual #2*** by *Mark Rahner & Roann Cliquet.* (Dec)

Robert Rodi makes his Dynamite debut, joining artist *Fritz Casas* for ***Kirby: Genesis—Dragonsbane,*** a miniseries that brings together heroes from various cultures and mythologies in a vast magical landscape. (Jan-Feb)

The Lone Ranger rides again, courtesy of *Ande Parks & Esteve Polls,* in ***The Lone Ranger #1.*** The tale follows the Ranger and Tonto as they help a group of settlers in a way that stirs memories in John Reid. (Jan)

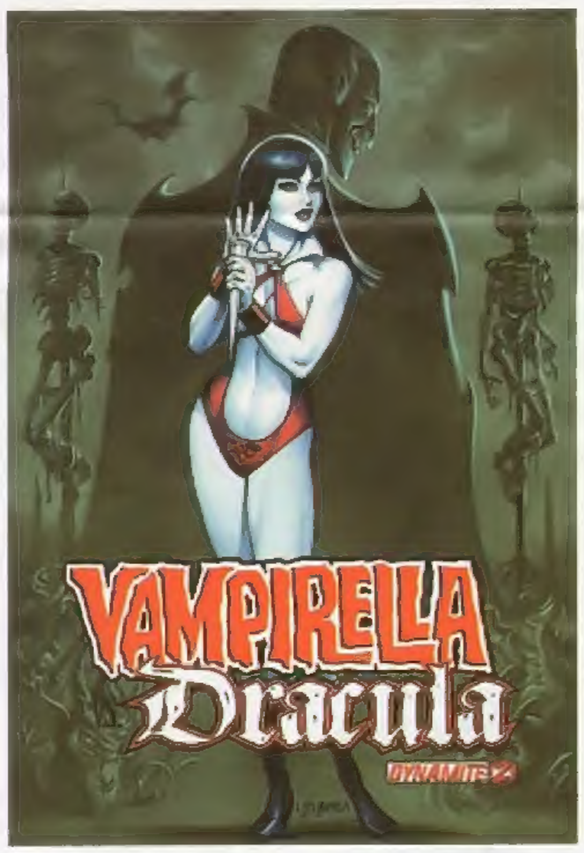
Tarzan returns to comics in Dynamite's ***Lord of the Jungle #1,*** an uncensored retelling of *Edgar Rice Burroughs'* ***Tarzan of the Apes*** that expands on the story with new elements. Dynamite is so enthusiastic about this series by *Arvid Nelson & Roberto Castro* that they're offering the first issue for only $1. (Dec)

Al Ewing & Eman Casallos present an ultra-violent odyssey of sin, scandal, brutality and branding in ***The Ninjettes,*** a tale that spins out of Ewing's work on ***Jennifer Blood.*** (Feb)

Five hundred years in the future the government monitors everything—including your mind. The result: no crime... until a violent murder proves that the future isn't as safe as it seems in ***Nowhere Man #1*** by *Marc Guggenheim & Jeevan J. Kang.* (Dec)

America has fallen into a landscape of revolution and chaos and OCP has taken over Old Detroit from the authorities in a political coup. It's up to Robocop and what's left of the Old Detroit Police Department to try and make it out of the state in order to get help from the US military in ***Robocop: Road Trip #1*** by *Rob Williams & Unai.* (Dec)

Pepe Caldels, Ferran Toro, & Vincente Cifuentes poke fun at sparkly vampires and werewolf romance in ***Twilighting: A Graphic Parody.*** (Dec)



Vampirella crosses paths with the best known of all vampires in ***Vampirella Vs. Dracula #1*** by *Joe Harris & Jean Diaz.* When Dracula comes to America looking for a new base of operations, he discovers that another vampire has beaten him to it! (Jan)

Mark Rahner & Stephen Sadowski put the green warrior Tars Tarkas in the spotlight in ***Warlord of Mars Annual #1,*** offering a very different look at the day Tarkas first met John Carter. (Jan)

Robert Place Napton & Jack Jadson bring together a pair of sword-and-planet heroes in ***Warriors of Mars #1.*** This limited series teams John Carter and Lt. Gullivar Jones (the hero of *Edwin Lester Arnold's* 1905 tale ***Lieutenant Gullivar Jones: His Vacation,*** aka ***Gullivar of Mars,*** the book that predated and quite possibly inspired ERB's ***A Princess of Mars)*** in a grand Martian adventure. (Feb)

Brandon Jerwa & Eman Casallos introduce a Kansas cult that worships Vampirella in ***Vampirella Annual #1...*** but what do they do when the object of their adoration comes to town looking for answers? (Dec)

Ultimate victory has never been closer for the Voltron Force. King Zarkon's brutal regime has been pushed to the edges of the galaxy, left to wage a series of desperate and losing battles to claim innocent victims while they still can. But Zarkon knows something —a secret about Voltron over a hundred years old that could change everything for the Galaxy Alliance. ***Voltron #1*** by *Brandon Thomas & Ariel Padilla* isn't the Voltron we all know, but one redefined and re-imagined by those he and his adventures have inspired over the years. This is Generation Voltron... (Dec)

A pair of deadly beauties embark on a timespanning adventure in ***Witchblade/ Red Sonja,*** a crossover miniseries by *Doug Wagner & Cezar Razek.* (Feb)

1821

Stan Lee masterminds a science fictional retelling of one of Shakespeare's most enduring tragedies in ***Romeo & Juliet: The War,*** an original graphic novel. (Dec)

Eureka

Graphic Classics Volume 22: African-American Classics presents 23 stories and poems by America's earliest black authors, illustrated by contemporary black artists. (Dec)

Fantagraphics

Thomas Ott is back with five more horror tales done in his distinctive scratchboard style in ***Cinema Panopticum.*** (Feb)

First Second

A homeschooled teenage girl has to face high school *and* deal with the mystery of a melancholy ghost in ***Friends With Boys,*** an original graphic novel by *Faith Erin Hicks.* (Feb)

As the civil rights struggle heats up in Texas, two families - one white, one black - find common ground in ***Silence of Our Friends.*** (Jan)

Humanoids

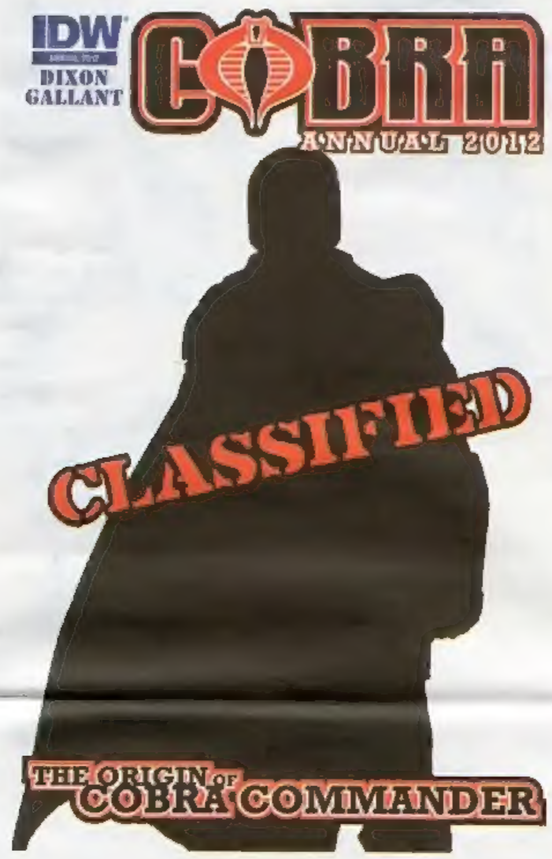
Christophe Bec & Stefano Raffaele present a tale of supernatural intrigue and medical malpractice in a tuberculosis sanatorium in ***Pandemonium Volume 1.*** (Feb)

Harper Collins

Larry Gonick makes math fun in ***The Cartoon Guide to Calculus,*** which blends Gonick's well-known irreverence and wit with insightful information and explanation. (Dec)

Hyperion

Joseph Lambert explores the powerful bond between Helen Keller and the woman who taught her to fully interact with the world around her in ***Annie Sullivan and the Trials of Helen Keller.*** (Feb)



IDW

Chuck Dixon & S.L. Gallant present the origin of the Joes' most nefarious adversary in ***Cobra Annual 2012: The Origin of Cobra Commander.*** (Jan)

Andy Hartnell & J. Scott Campbell (along with artist *Chris Madden)* introduce a new Danger Girl to the team in ***Danger Girl: Revolver #1.*** (Jan)'

There's another ***GI Joe*** movie on the way... and that means it's time for a ***GI Joe 2 Movie Prequel,*** focusing on Snake Eyes and Roadblock. (Feb)

The Joes are on the trail of a rogue unit of Crimson Guardsmen in ***GI Joe: A Real American Hero Annual,*** written by *Larry Hama* and drawn by classic artists *Ron Frenz, Ron Wagner, Herb Trimpe, & Sal Buscema.* (Feb)

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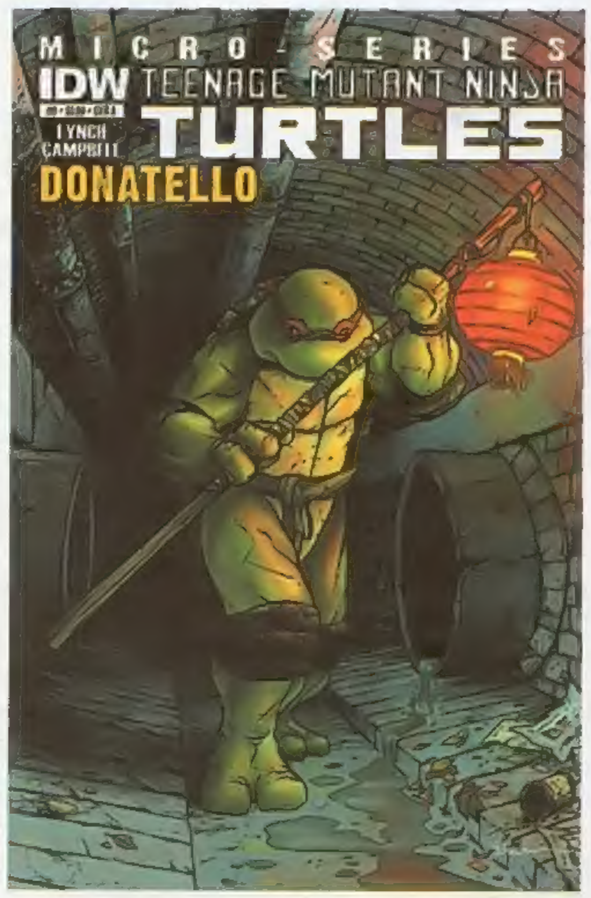
Last year it was zombies; this year, Lovecraftean monsters terrorize the IDW Universe in ***Infestation 2.*** Just as before, the event crosses over into several IDW continuities, including ***Infestation 2: Transformers*** and ***Infestation 2: Dungeons & Dragons,*** as well as the offbeat worlds of ***Groom Lake*** and ***Weekly World News.*** Look for upcoming tie-ins to involve ***GI Joe, Star Trek, Danger Girl,*** and ***Ghostbusters.*** (Jan-Feb)

Stephen King & Joe Hill bring their story ***Throttle*** (inspired by *Richard Matheson's* classic ***Duel)*** to comics in the four-part ***Road Rage*** series, which adapts both ***Throttle*** *and* ***Duel,*** two tales of terrorizing truckers. (Feb)



The "brains" of the TMNT gets his moment in the spotlight in ***Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Donatello Micro-Series.*** (Feb)

It's the end of an era as Optimus Prime's fate is revealed in ***Transformers: The Death of Optimus Prime.*** (Dec)

The Transformers Universe is streamlined in January as IDW kicks off the next chapter in the Transformers saga! In ***Transformers: Robots in Disguise #1,*** Bumblebee and his fellow Autobots struggle to maintain control of a world without Optimus Prime. Meanwhile, in ***Transformers: More Than Meets the Eye #1,*** the Transformers embark on an epic quest to the farthest reaches fo the Transformers Universe. (Jan)

Ann Nocenti, Anya Martin, Barbara Kesel, Gail Simone, Colleen Doran, Stephanie Buscema, and many others explore the essence of the heroic in ***Womanthology: Heroic,*** a hardcover compilation of original tales by some of the most talented women working in comics today. (Jan)

Image

The evolution of global warfare leads to the creation of a new breed of special forces: the Intelligence Support Activity, or Gray Fox. Meet Gray Fox's most elite agents, Team Omaha, in ***The Activity #1*** by *Nathan Edmondson & Mitch Gerads.* (Dec)

An iconoclastic teenage girl finds herself quite possibly the last sane woman on earth in ***Alpha Girl #1*** by *Jean-Paul Bonjour, Jeff Roening, Robert Love, Dana Shukartsi, & Diego Simone.* When a third-rate cosmetics company creates a pheromone that turns women into crazed man-eaters (quite literally!), Judith must break her little brother out of juvie, all the while dodging rabid women and the men who hunt them. (Feb)

When headless corpses start to appear on the first night of the full moon, ace detective Johnny P. Sartre smells a rat... but what he finds is even less pleasant, as *David Hine & Shaky Kane* reveal in ***Bulletproof Coffin: Disinterred #1.*** (Jan)

Emi Lenox's day-by-day autobiographical single page sketch journal continues in the pages of ***EmiTown Volume 2 TP.*** (Feb)

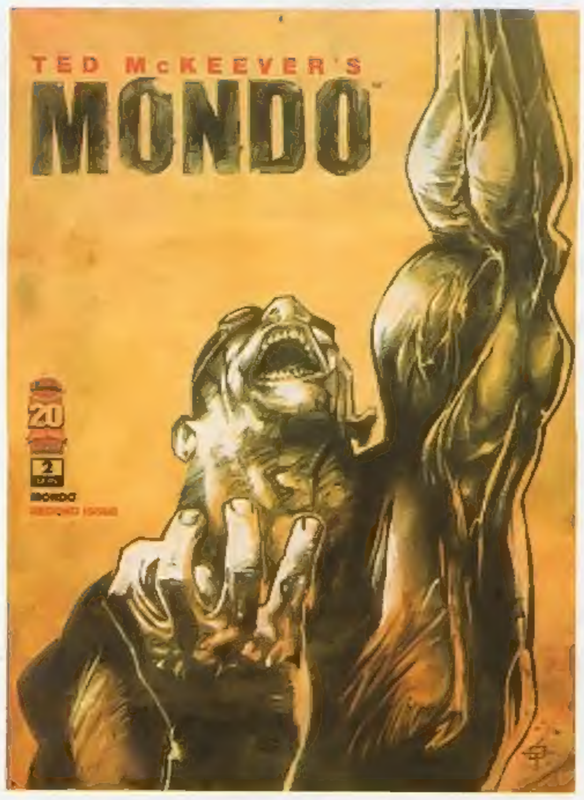
Ed Brubaker & Sean Phillips blend noir drama and Lovecraftean horror in ***Fatale #1.*** A reporter in 2012 stumbles on a secret that leads him down the darkest path imaginable... to a seductive woman on the run since 1935, a mobster who may be an immortal demon monster, and the stories of all the doomed men caught in their decades-long struggle. (Jan)

Extreme's warrior goddesss returns in ***Glory #23*** (continuing the old numbering, of course) by *Joe Keatinge & Ross Campbell.* However, her return could be more dangerous than anyone ever anticipated! (Feb)

The holidays are approaching—and that means it's time for a new Jingle Belle tale from *Paul Dini & Stephanie Gladden.* ***Jingle Belle: Gift Wrapped*** combines the 2011 Harvey-nominated story "Grounded" with six pages of new content. (Dec)

Tito Faraci & Dan Brereton take readers back to the time of Caesar in ***The Last Battle,*** a oneshot that pits Caesar's chosen warrior Caius Rodius against the rebel Cammius, who once fought for Rome, where he was trained by the very same Rodius now assigned to bring him down. (Dec)

Michael Allred celebrates two decades of Madness with the ***Madman 20th Anniversary Monster! HC,*** a 264-page oversized 11" x 17" volume featuring contributions from some of the medium's biggest names, including *Peter Bagge, Kyle Baker, Philip Bond, Darwyn Cooke, Dave Cooper, Frank Frazetta, Dean Haspiel, Los Bros Hernandez, Jack Kirby, Teddy Kristiansen, Joe Kubert, Eric Larsen, David Mack, Pat McKeown, Frank Miller, Peter Milligan, Bernie Mireault, Moebius, Michael Avon Oeming, Paul Pope, Eric Powell, Joe Quinones, Frank Quitely, Steven T. Seagle, Jeff Smith, Jay Stephens, Dave Stevens, Craig Thompson, Alex Toth, Matt Wagner, Maris Wicks,* and (of course) *Michael Allred.* The book includes a mix of new stories and a heaping helping of Madman illustrations. (Dec)

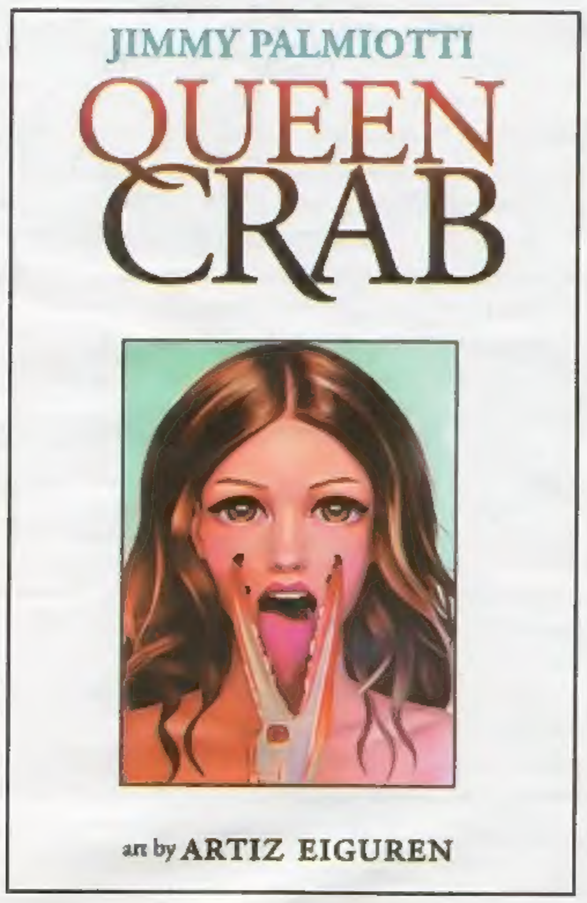


Ted McKeever presents a tale of poultry processing, corporate villainy, a tattooed baby gang, a beach monster, and more in ***Mondo #1.*** (Jan)

The unlikely couple of Nancy and Lucifer are back in ***Nancy in Hell (on Earth) #1*** by *El Torres & Enrique Lopez Lorenzana.* (Jan)

Dee's life is in turmoil when her parents are killed in a freak tornado. Returning to Kansas for the funeral after five years in LA, Dee discovers Emeraldsville is the same unexciting place it was when she left - until the bizarre unexplained murders begin in ***No Place Like Home #1*** by *Angelo Tirotto & Richard Jordan.* (Feb)

In 1940 Calais, France, a mysterious American boy named Peter rallies a handful of plucky French orphans and they must work together to survive Europe's darkest hour in ***Peter Panzerfaust #1*** by *Kurtis J. Wiebe & Tyler Jenkin.* (Feb)



Jimmy Palmiotti & Artiz Eiguren present the story of a young woman dealing with the insanity of the world around her in ***Queen Crab,*** a 64-page hardcover. (Feb)

The distant future Earth is inhabited by alien settlers that feed off of the ape-men mankind has devolved into. John Prophet awakes from cryosleep on a mission to restart the human empire in ***Prophet #21,*** *Brandon Graham & Simon Roy's* continuation of the Extreme Studios series. (Jan)

Robert Kirkman, Nick Spencer, & Shawn Martinbrough introduce readers to Conrad Paulson, a man who lives a secret life as a master thief. Now that his family has abandoned him, Paulson decides to follow a path to reformation in ***Thief of Thieves #1...*** but it appears that the long arm of the law is the least of his worries! (Feb)

A mentally troubled man is suddenly empowered with the ability to leave his physical body in "ghost" form and manipulate people in strange and disturbing ways. With this incredible power, will he control his demons...or discover even more? Find out in ***Whispers #1*** by *Joshua Luna.* (Jan)

You wake up in a bathtub of ice with a surgical incision on your side... but the hospital says you've still got two kidneys! Where do you go for a second opinion? Where else but Dr. Vincent Morrow, the Witch Doctor! *Brandon Seifert & Lukas Ketner* are ready to keep you in stitches in ***Witch Doctor: The Resuscitation.*** (Dec)

Markosia

Amy is a little girl with a big attitude who inflicts all manner of suffering on her parents, without conscience or remorse—and you'll see her in action in ***Raising Amy*** by *Stref.* (Dec)

Get ready to meet two babies fueled by mutual hatred in the over-the-top tale of kiddie mayhem, ***Baby Boomers.*** (Jan)

Marvel

Spider-Man and Daredevil team up in ***Amazing Spider-Man #677*** by *Mark Waid & Emma Rios* and ***Daredevil #8*** by *Mark Waid & Kano.* When Black Cat is arrested, Matt Murdock is the only lawyer who will take here case... and thus begins the next great love triangle of the Marvel Universe... (Jan)

Witness Storm's first adventures as an Avenger in ***Avengers #21*** by *Brian Bendis & Renato Guedes.* (Jan)

Hydra makes a play for HAMMER as Norman Osborn tries to take back the Avengers in ***Avengers #22 & 23*** by *Brian Bendis, Renato Guedes, & Daniel Acuna.* (Feb)

The Hulk takes on Banner in *Christos Gage & Tom Grummett's* ***Avengers Academy #24*** as Banner unleashes an army of Hulked-out monsters. (Jan)

Simon Williams and his Revengers believe the Avengers' time is up—and the bring the fight to the Avengers' front door in ***Avengers Annual #1*** by *Brian Bendis & Gabriele Dell'Otto.* (Jan)

Allan Heinberg & Jim Cheung present the final fate of the Scarlet Witch—and the funeral of an Avenger— in ***Avengers: The Children's Crusade*** #9, setting the stage for what is to come in 2012. (Jan)

How has Cable been reborn? Where has he been since "Second Coming"? And what dark event has driven him to destroy the Avengers? The answers are found in ***Avengers: X-Sanction,*** a four-issue series by *Jeph Loeb & Ed McGuinness.* (Dec-Feb)

The original Human Torch guest-stars as Captain America teams up with Bucky in the present day… for the first time?... in ***Captain America & Bucky #625*** by *Ed Brubaker, James Asmus, & Francesco Francavilla.* (Dec)

Acclaimed artist *Alan Davis* joins writer *Ed Brubaker* beginning with ***Captain America #6,*** just in time to depict Hydra's rise from the ashes. (Dec)

Carnage's maniacal reign of terror continues in ***Carnage USA #1*** by *Zeb Wells & Clayton Crain.* Spider-Man and the Avengers must go on a brutal hunt to capture Cletus Kasaday before a small town in the American heartland falls under his mass-murdering spell! (Dec)

Roland's pursuit of the elusive Man in Black across the endless Mohaine desert becomes even more treacherous when he is attacked by a ravenous pack of desert dogs

and vampiric dust devils in ***Dark Tower: The Gunslinger—The Way Station #1*** by *Robin Furth, Peter David, & Laurence Campbell.* (Dec)

How do Deadpool and Bob, the two most wanted terrorists in the world, spend their holiday break? By faking their own deaths, breaking into CIA headquarters, hunting down internet-porn-peddling jihadists and causing a riot in an insane asylum—as you'll witness when you open ***Deadpool MAX X-Mas Special #1*** by *David Lapham & Kyle Baker.* (Dec)

Defenders #1 brings together Marvel's most unlikely team members, including the Hulk, Dr. Strange, and the Silver Surfer, in an adventure that spins out of the end of ***Fear Itself,*** courtesy of *Matt Fraction & Terry Dodson.* (Dec)

Roberto Aguirre-Sacasa & David Marquez present a streamlined, updated retelling of the Fantastic Four's origin in ***Fantastic Four: Season One Premiere HC,*** an original graphic novel supplemented with a reprint of ***Fantastic Four #570.*** (Feb)

Orson Scott Card, Aaron Johnston, & Giancarlo Caracuzzo continue the prequel to ***Ender's Game*** in the pages of ***Formic War: Silent Strike,*** a five-issue limited series. (Dec-Feb)

The relentless Covenant begins the invasion of the planet Reach in *Brian Reed & Felix Ruiz's* ***Halo: Fall of Reach—Invasion,*** a four-issue miniseries. (Jan-Feb)

The mysterious figure who split Banner and Hulk is revealed in *Jason Aaron & Whilce Portacio's* ***Incredible Hulk #5.*** (Feb)

The Son of Satan guest-stars in *Kieron Gillen & Richard Elson's* ***Journey Into Mystery #633*** as fallout from ***Fear Itself*** leaves thousands trapped in deadly fever dreams around the world. (Jan)

In *Matt Fraction &Pasqual Ferry's* ***Mighty Thor #9,*** Loki tries to expose the imposter thunder god Tanarus by enlisting the help of… Doctor Donald Blake? (Dec)

The New Avengers battle the Dark Avengers in ***New Avengers #21*** by *Brian Bendis & Mike Deodato...* and one Avenger leaves the team in defeat. This paves the way for the final confrontation between the teams in ***New Avengers #22...*** and not everyone makes it out alive. (Feb)

Jason Aaron & Steve Dillon bring ***PunisherMAX*** to a close with #22... but this isn't a cancellation—well, at least not in the way that we normally understand the term... (Feb)

Spinning out of Spider-Island, The secrets of the brand new Scarlet Spider stand revealed in ***Scarlet Spider #1*** by *Christopher Yost & Ryan Stegman.* So who is the new webbed wonder – and why has he come to face corruption in Houston, Texas? (Jan)

Rick Remender takes over as regular writer with ***Secret Avengers #21.1,*** as he and artist *Patrick Zircher* dispatch Captain America and Hawkeye on a mission to a country run by criminals, for criminals. (Jan) Then Hawkeye becomes the new team leader in ***Secret Avengers #22*** as Captain Britain and Giant-Man join the team. (Feb)

The time-stranded heroes of World War II are back in ***The Twelve #9*** by *J. Michael Straczynski & Chris Weston,* which marks the return of the acclaimed limited series after far too long an absence. But one member of the team is about to fall... (Feb)

Ultimate Falcon makes his triumphant return in ***Ultimate Comics The Ultimates #6*** by *Jonathan Hickman & Esad Ribic.* (Jan)

Return to the Age of Apocalypse as the AOA X-Men make their final stand against Weapon X in ***Uncanny X-Force #19.1*** by *Rick Remender & Billy Tan,* which sets the stage for ***Age of Apocalypse #1,*** the new ongoing series set in the Age of Apocalypse. Then the

team journeys to Otherworld in ***Uncanny X-Force #20*** for an adventure that guest-stars Captain Britain and the Captain Britain Corps. (Jan)

Rick Remender kicks off a six-part Venom event in ***Venom #13,*** leading into ***Venom #s 13.1-13.4.*** Hell is spreading across the Earth from out of Las Vegas. Ghost Rider is responsible but what price is she willing to pay to save mankind?! (Feb)

Why has Misty Knight hired psychopaths like Tiger Shark and Speed Demon? Because the Purple Man is out to build a criminal empire with an army including Avalanche, Shocker and the all-new Scourge! So now it's time for ***Villains for Hire,*** courtesy of *Dan Abnett, Andy Lanning, & Renato Arlem.* (Dec-Feb)

Once Bucky, once Captain America, once dead, now he's the Winter Soldier—and along with the Black Widow, he's one of the Marvel Universe's most secret super-spies. See him in action in ***Winter Soldier #s 1 & 2*** by *Ed Brubaker & Butch Guice.* (Feb)

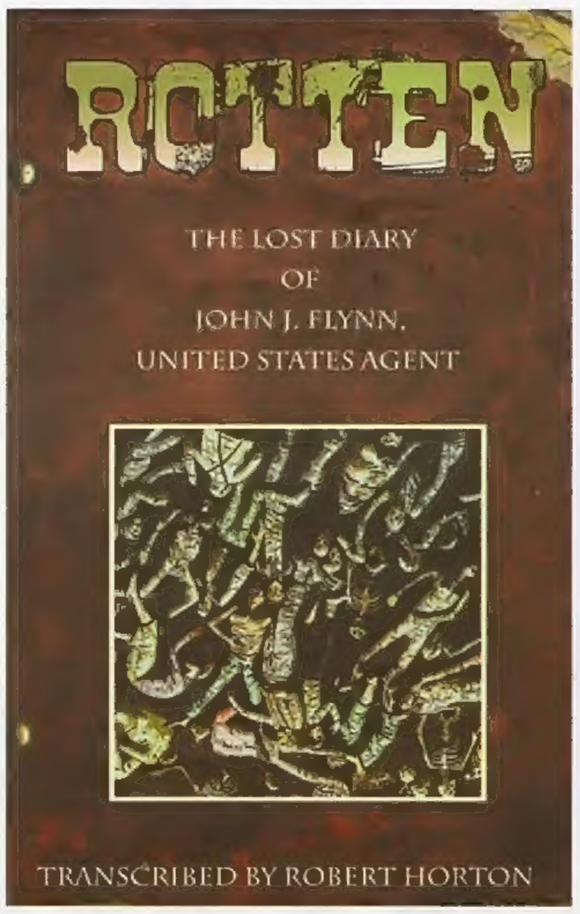
Marvel does the numbers game once again with ***Wolverine #300*** by *Jason Aaron & Adam Kubert.* Wolverine travels to Tokyo to confront his most dangerous enemy yet... nd a new Silver Samurai rises to take his place—along with Wolverine's daughter! (Jan)

In the wake of ***Schism,*** the X-Men's Science Team takes it upon themselves to make a gesture of goodwill on behalf of mutantkind and better the world. But just as construction of the X-Club's state of the art space elevator nears completion, chaos erupts! And it appears to the world that mutants are to blame. Can Dr. Nemesis, Madison Jeffries, Kavita Rao and Danger clear the X-Men's name before their experiment backfires? Find out in ***X-Club #1*** by *Simon Spurrier & Paul Davidson.* (Dec)

Wolverine takes on Kid Omega for dominance of the Jean Grey School in ***Wolverine & the X-Men: Alpha & Omega #1,*** the kick-off of a five-part series by *Brian Wood, Mark Brooks, & Rolan Boschi.* (Jan)

Mike Carey brings his five-year run to an end with ***X-Men Legacy #260.*** In the aftermath of ***Schism,*** the X-Men are divided. Magneto has chosen to stay with Cyclops on Utopia. Gambit has chosen to follow Wolverine to Westchester. And now Rogue must decide who she is going to follow... (Dec)

For the first time since ***Schism,*** members of Cyclops' X-Men come face to face with Wolverine's X-Men in *Christos Gage & David Baldeon's* ***X-Men Legacy #262...*** and the results aren't pretty! (Feb)



Moonstone

A secret agent during the term of Rutherford B. Hayes does battle against the walking dead *and* Jesse James in ***Rotten—The Lost Diary of John Flynn, US Agent.*** (Jan)

NBM

Veteran creator *Ernie Colon* adapts one of the most fondly remembered radio shows in history in ***Inner Sanctum: Tales of Mystery, Horror, & Suspense.*** (Dec)

Papercutz

Dane Class Volume 1: So You Think You Can Hip Hop follows three girls who share a common passion: dance! (Feb)

Oni

When Aeslin Finn was a little girl, her parents read to her from a magical book; now a teenager, Aeslin is about to discover just how magical she and that book really are when she is transported to the magical realm in ***Avalon Chronicles Volume One.*** (Jan)

A young girl's desire to play baseball disrupts her new school in ***Play Ball,*** an original graphic novel by *Nunzio DeFilippis, Christina Weir, & Jackie Lewis.* (Feb)

Red Giant

John Gallagher & Rich Faber present the all-ages tale of a runaway theme park robot in ***Roboy Red.*** (Feb)

RZG

A man shifts through time and alternate realities to combat a reptilian shape-shifting menace in ***Phazer*** by *Mariano Nicieza, Sam Carlin, & Deena Simmons.* (Jan-Feb)

From the pages of ***Phazer,*** the super-powered terrorist graduates to his own series in ***Blue Sultan #1.*** (Feb)

Top Shelf

Harvey Pekar mixes human interest anecdotes and bits of hometown history in ***Harvey Pekar's Cleveland,*** one of the late creator's final graphic novels. (Feb)

Tor

A pizza delivery guy must become Earth's defender when he learns that his pop culture idols are actually the advance team of an alien invasion in ***The Advance Team,*** an original graphic novel by *Will Pfeifer & German Torres.* (Feb)

Villard

Jonathan Kellerman's Alex Delaware makes his graphic novel debut in ***Jonathan Kellerman's Alex Delaware Volume One: Silent Partner,*** an original graphic novel by *Ande Parks & Michael Gaydos.* (Feb)

Viz

A descendant from the human ruler of the fairy kingdom enlists a young woman to help him claim his birthright in ***The Earl and the Fairy Volume 1.*** (Feb)

Zenescope

Raven Gregory & Robert Gill reveal the secrets of young Alice's experiences in Wonderland in ***Grimm Fairy Tales Presents: Alice in Wonderland,*** a companion volume to Zenescope's ***Wonderland*** trilogy. (Dec-Feb)